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SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

HEALTH COMMITTEE:

(Constitution at 31st December, 1969)

*Councillor Mrs. W.M. Brown (Chairman)

Councillor F.K. Roberts (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor A.H.C. Branson Councillor Mrs.P.E. Fenner Councillor P. Hayden

- * Councillor Mrs.P.E. Hayden Councillor K.J. Hennessey
- * Councillor J.F. London
- * Members on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee
- ' Standing Deputy on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

R.G. BRENNEN, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

DOROTHY N. IRONSIDE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

(also Assistant County Medical Officer, Kent County Council)

CLERICAL STAFF

Mrs. D.E. Tebbit Mrs. E.M. Tibbles Miss V. Marsden

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

Senior Public Health Inspector: E.A. Williams (a, d and h)

Public Health Inspector: H F. Johnson (b and d)

Student Public Health Inspector:
K.H. Wickham (qualified December, 1969)
M. Histed (appointed September, 1969)

Public Health Inspectors' Clerk:
Mrs. O.S. Baker (retired May, 1969)
Mrs.F.A. Osborne (appointed September, 1969)

Rodent Operator: G.T. Heaysman

- (a) Certificate of Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors Examination Joint Board
- (b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board.
- (c) Diploma of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
- (d) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (e) Smoke Inspectors' Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (f) Sanitary Science Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (g) Diploma, Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene.
- (h) Diploma of Shops Act Administration
- (i) Royal Society of Health Certificate in Meat Inspection

Mr. R.C. Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C., acts as County Analyst for the District

SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

Telephone No. Tonbridge 3329

3, River Walk, Tonbridge

To the Chairman and Members of the Sevenoaks Urban District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for 1969.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 18,150, a decrease of 40 over the mid-1968 figure.

The total number of registered live births was 206 (108 males and 98 females), this figure being a little higher than last year's total of 198. The crude birth rate was 11.3 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 12.8, compared with 16.3 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 232 (101 males and 131 females). The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 12.8 The corrected death rate for the District was 9.9 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales.

Deaths of infants under one year of age numbered 3, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 15.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.0 The Neo-Natal death rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was 10.0.

There were 10 deaths from Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (7 males and 3 females), compared with 11 last year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 13, compared with 95 in 1968.

On page 17 of this Report figures, kindly supplied by the County Medical Officer, are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

I wish to thank my colleagues and fellow officers on this and many other occasions for their help and courtesy, and Mr. Williams, who so ably and expeditiously supplied the record embodied in the latter part of the report.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. G. BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area: 3,728 acres

Population:

R.G.'s Estimate mid 1969 18,150
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1968 18,190

Density of population, i.e. Number
of persons per acre

Number of inhabited houses: 5,975

Rateable value: £903,876

Sum produced by a penny rate: £3,610

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1969.

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U,D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area.
	LEGITIMATE:	Male Female	114 94	295 284	100 91	64 66	258 265	259 252	290 291	1,380 1,343
LIVE		Total	208	579	191	130	523	511	581	2,723
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male Female	6 11	21 18	8 7	6 8	14	9	33 32	97 98
BIRTHS	_	Total	17	39	15	14	25	20	65	195
	TOTAL LIVE BIR	THS	225	618	206	144	548	531	646	2,918
	RTH RATE PER 1,0 ear population 1		13.6	13.8	11.3	14.7	18.6	18.3	14.4	15.1
	ility factor sup trar-General	plied	1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	=
ADJUSTED	BIRTH RATE		17.1	14.8	12.8	16.8	19.2	17.9	15.8	C=3
	LEGITIMATE:	Male Female	1 3	5 5	2 1	1	4 3	1 5	2° 5	15 23
STILL		Total	4	10	3	ĺ	7	6	7	38
)	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male Female	CESS CESS	<u>-</u> 2	GES	1985	1	CAD	CHO	1 2
BIRTHS		Total	-	2	_	_	1	-	COS.	3
	TOTAL STILL BI	RTHS	4	12	3	1	8	6	7	41
	STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births			19	14	7	14	11	11	13.9
TOTAL LI	VE AND STILL BIR	THS	229	630	209	145	556	537	653	2,959

	Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
$egin{array}{cccc} ext{INFANT} & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & &$	1	2 5	3 -	2	6	5 3	7 4	26 19
(under one year) (TOTAL	2	7	3	2	12	8	11	45
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:								A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR
All infants per 1,000 live bir	th s 9	11	15	14	22	15	17	15.4
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	0.0	8	10	14	15	9	14	10.5
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	0.0	8	10	14	11	9	12	9.6
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live andtstill births	17.	27	24	21	25	20	23	23.3
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)	-	-	-	-	-	OMEO .	(see	
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS (Male Female	108	213 208	101 131	57 83	154 149	143 146	278 443	1,054 1,248
(TOTAL	196	421	232	140	303	289	721.	2,302
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1969	11.8	9.4	12.8	14.3	10.3	10.0	16.0	12.09
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General	0.89	0.96	0.77	0.83	0.85	0.95	0.55	æ
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE	10.5	9.0	9.9	11.9	8.8	9.5	8.8	-

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages) (Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

	Partie in the later to the late	
CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Àrea	Total
	M F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System Other Tuberculosis Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases Syphilis and its Sequelae Meningococcal Infection Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity Etc., Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus Malignant Neoplasm, Breast Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate Leukaemia Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc., Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms Diabetes Mellitus Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases Anaemias Other Diseases of Blood, Etc., Mental Disorders Meningitis Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc., Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease Hypertensive Disease Tschaemic Heart Disease Other Forms of Heart Disease Cerebrovascular Disease	- 1 - 2 1 1 - 1 - 1 5 - 1 5 - 1 5 - 1 5 - 24 - 1 9 - 1 1 - 1 1 - 1 3 - 2 4 - 1 1 - 1 3 - 1 1 - 1 3 - 1 1 - 1 3 - 1 1 - 1 1	1 2 3 1 1 8 13 6 4 3 107 50 12 18 12 135 7 13 7 13 7 13 7 12 12 12 12 14 14 14 13 14 13 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages) (Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

Cranbrook P. D.	. T.	Sevenoaks	R.D.	Sevenoaks	u.D.	Southborough	U.D.	Попрыідов	R.D.	Tonbridge	u.D.	Tunbridge	Wells Borough
М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	M	F	М	F
		- 1 1 378 - 5 15 - 4 27 1 - 1 1 1 4 57 9 21	3 1 10 - 5 12 1 1 1 2 - 1 1 1 3 5 4 1 3 3 2		-1 	17-1-846			1 1 - 1 26 - 29 4 1 3 1 2 3 3 6 2	13 - 3291 2 - 3659			- 1 - 1 - 3 - 14 - 5 0 5 - 2 6 - 3 2 - 1 - 3 5 6 8 4 0 8 3

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH		Joint	Health Area	Total
		М	F	
Other Diseases of Circulatory System Influenza Pneumonia Bronchitis and Emphysema Asthma Other Diseases of Respiratory System Peptic Ulcer Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia Cirrhosis of Liver Other Diseases of Digestive System Nephritis and Nephrosis Hyperplasia of Prostate Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue Diseases of Musco-Skeletal System Congenital Anomalies Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, Etc., Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions Motor Vehicle Accidents All Other Accidents Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries All Other External Causes		60 15 61 27 66 48 38 91 41 45 94 69 5	108 14 102 17 16 8 8 1 17 6 14 1 7 6 1 6 16 7 14 1 7 6 1 6 1 7 6 1 7	168 29 171 78 2 33 14 14 5 25 9 8 23 2 11 17 5 11 25 21 20 13 7
	TOTALS	1,054	1,248	2,302

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages) (Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook	R.D.	Sevenoaks	R.D.	Sevenoaks	u.D.	Southborough	Southborough U.D. Tonbridge R.D. Tonbridge U.D.		Tunbridge	Wells Borough			
М	F	М	F	М	F	M	F	М	F	М	F	М	F
11 - 7 8 2 1 - 1 - 1 1 1 1 1 1	7 1 3 2 - 1 1 1 3 3	12 2 9 16 - 3 3 1 2 2 2 2 2 1 - 3 - 1 - 3	14 3 18 4 - 2 2 2 - 5 - 1 - 2 2 - 2 3 2 	5117-4-2-1 1-2-1 1-2-1	20 14 2 - 1 1 1 1	3142	4 2 6 2 - 2 1 - 2 - 1 1	8 7 8 7 - 1 - 1 1 1 1 4 1 - 4 6 - 4 2	14 18 2 - 1 - 1 - 1 1 2 1 3 1	8 - 8 4 - 3 2 - 1 1 2 - 1 1 1 - 1 1 1	10 - 9 4 - 2 - 1 - 3 - 2 3 - 3 - 1 1	13 4 22 17 - 5 1 1 - 2 1 - 2 2 - 3 4 2 2 4 2	39 6 44 3 - 8 3 - 4 2 - 9 - 2 - 3 5 1 10 1
108	88	213	208	101	131	57	83	154	149	143	146	278	443

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 24 hours	l day to l week	T-2	2 - 3 weeks	1-	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 mths.	3-6 mths.	6-9 mths.	9-12 mths.	TOTAL
Congenital Anomalies	-	ı	-	_	_	1	1	-	-	-	2
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour etc.,	1	-	-	-	-	ı	-	-	ı	ı	1
TOTALS	l	1	-	_	-	2	1	-	-	-	3

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

			4									
YEAR	20 - 34 years					45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		ears over	TOT	TAL
	M	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F
1960	_	-	-	-	3	1	ı	679	-	p.4	4	1
1961	-	_	-	-	3	1	2	-	5	1	10	2
1962	-	-	1	~	4	1	2	ı	2	ı	9	3
1963	-	-	-	-	5	ı	3	~	3	-	11	1
1964	-	-	-	-	5	200	ı	-	-	-	6	-
1965	-	-	-	-	3		4	-	1	ı	8	1
1966	-	(600)	-	c=	2	l	1	2	2	~	5	3
1967	~~	-	-	-	4	COS	3	cs	ÇOS	ı	7	1
1968	-	-		Comp	4	2	3	-	2	~	9	2
1969	ı	_	-	-	2	1	4		-	2	7	3
TOTALS	ı	-	ı	-	35	8	24	3	15	6	76	17

65 and over		1
45-64 yrs.	111	1
25-44 yrs.	111 111	ı
10-14 15-24 25-44 45-64 yrs. yrs. yrs.	114 111	П
10-14 yrs.	114 11	Н
5-9 yrs.	- 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	2
4 yrs.	441 111	2
3 yrs.	101 111	2
1 2 yro yrso	100 111	4
l yr.	1 1 4 1 1 1	ŧ
Under 1 year	1 1 1 1 1	4
Total Cases (all ages)	ろ ひ り し l l	13
DISEASE	Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough Measles Tuberculosis Pulmonary Meninges & C.N.S.	TOTALS

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

SEPT. OCT. NOV. DEC. TOTALS	ממט אוו	1.3
DEC.	H1H 111	2
NOV.		1
OCT.	1 1 1 1 1 1	1
SEPT.	114 111	Т
MAR. APR. MAY JUNE JULY AUG.	101 111	3
JULY	184 111	3
JUNE	11111	ı
MAY	1 1 1 1 1 1	1
APR.	1 1 1 1 1 1	1
MAR.	110 111	2
JAN. FEB.	1 1 1 1 1 1	B
JAN.	8 ←1 8 8 1 1	Т
DISEASE	Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough Measles Tuberculosis Pulmonary Meninges & C.N.S. Other Forms	TOTALS

TUBERCULOSIS

		NEW	CASES		DEATHS					
AGE PERIODS	Pulmo	onary	Non-Pu	lmonary	Pulmo	onary	Non-Pulmonar			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
Under 1 year	_	_	-	-	_	_	-	_		
l year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
5 - 9 years 10 - 14 years	_	_	_	_	_	_	_			
15 - 19 years	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_		
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
25 - 34 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
35 - 44 years 45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
55 - 64 years	1	_	_	_	-		_	- ו		
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
TOTALS	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		

TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	M	ALE	FEMA		
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Rilmonary	TOTAL
Cases on register at beginning of year	47	6	33	10	96
Cases added	1	-	-	-	1
Cases removed	-	-	1	-	1
Cases remaining	48	6	32	10	96

NUMBER OF DEATHS AND DEATH RATES FROM TUBERUULOSIS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

	Pulmonary		Non-Puln	Non-Pulmonary		Rate p			
Year	No. of cases notified	Deaths	No. of cases notified	Deaths	Deaths	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	TOTAL	
*1960	2	1	1	#	1	0.06	0.00	0.06	
1961	3	1	2	=	1	0.06	0.00	0.06	
1962	1	2	2	1	3	0.11	0.06	0.17	
1963	1	1	5	1	2	0.06	0.06	0.12	
*1964	4	=	1	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	
1965	2	=	-	. cpas	-	0.00	0,00	0.00	
*1966	1	1	comp	-	1	0.05	0.00	0.05	
1967	1.	-	-	-	-	0,00	0.00	0.00	
*1968	1	-	1	Cales	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	
1969	1	es.	conc	1	1	0.00	0.05	0.05	

^{*} Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the District

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

The following table shows the figures for 1969 based on the return sent to the Department of Health and Social Security.

	Polio mye- litis	ı	ı	1	ı	16	143	53	31	243
Ü		ı	ı	ı	ı	1	I	I	ı	ı
CHN	Tetanus Measles	1	-	•	J	-	1	1	43	45
INFOR	Small- pox	1	-	ı	-	-	-	I	6	6
R E	Diph- theria Tetanus	-	1	22	29	16	100	33	5	206
	Triple Antigen	-	10	19	30	12	23	7	2	103
	Polio mye- litis	11	46	13	9	Т	١	1	-	125
	Measles	ı	54	44	30	34	8	4	ı	145
ARY	Tetanus	-	8	ı	1	ı	ı	ı	54	54
PRIMAR	Small- pox	ı	132	g	â	I	ı	ı	ı	132
Д	Triple Diph- Antigen Tetanus	0	Н	2	-	ч	2	2	ı	10
	Triple Antigen	∞	57	4	7	7	ı	ı	ı	17
YEAR	OF BIRTH	1969	1968	1967	1966	1965	1964	1962/3	1953/61	TOTAL:-

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936 as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number	Number of beds provided for:-				
	of Homes	Maternity	Others	Total		
Homes registed during the year	-	-	_	-		
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during year	-	-	-	-		
Homes on register at end of the year	2	· -	50	50		

Visits of inspection, and special visits as required, are made to the above Nursing Homes during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47 NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr.A.L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex, Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year thirty-three medical examinations were carried out for the District for superannuation purposes.

International Vaccination Certificates

There is an increasing demand for the authentication of doctors' signatures on International Vaccination Certificates. In connection with international travel, persons arriving in this country from infected or suspected areas without valid certificates are kept under surveillance by the Health Department.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT

provided by the Kent County Council

Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at Moor Road, Sevenoaks. (Tel. Sevenoaks 51088)

Principal Welfare Officer

Mr. R.A. Allison, Kent County Council District Office, 152, London Road, Sevenoaks. Tel. Sevenoaks 52833

Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the District Office of the County Council.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the District Office of the County Council.

Domestic Help Service

Domestic help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, mentally subnormal, aged or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

Area Domestic Help Organiser - Miss L.McEwan,
39, Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23342

District Domestic Help Organiser - Miss E.M. Eastwood, 152, London Road, Sevenoaks Tel. Sevenoaks 55440

Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

Family Care Service

After consultation with the Children's Department, this service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hopsital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standard of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service of nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

Health Visitors

Miss H. M. Gaunt

Miss B. Rigg

Training Centre

Brasted Training Centre, Westerham Road, Brasted

Tel. Westerham 3545

CHILD WELFARE CENTRES AND CLINICS

Centre	<u>Service</u>	Day and Time
St. John's Road, Sevenoaks Tel. Sevenoaks 53645	Child Welfare Child Welfare (Toddlers') Relaxation Class) Midwives' Clinic)	Tues. P.M. 1st Thurs. P.M. Thurs. P.M.
	Ante Natal and) Relaxation Class) Midwives' Clinic)	Mon. P.M.
	Parent-craft) Midwives Clinic)	lst Thurs. 7-8.30 P.M.
	Chiropody	Tues. All Day
	School Clinic	Friday 9 - 10 A.M.
	Dental	Mon.a.m.and P.M. (if required)
		Wed. A.M. & P.M. Thurs. A.M. & P.M. Fri. A.M. & P.M.
	Speech	Mon., Tues., Thurs., (by appointment) all day
St. Nicholas' Church Hall, South Park, Sevenoaks Tel. Sevenoaks 53064	Child Welfare	Wed. P.M.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee: Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells. Tel. 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital
Kent and Sussex Hospital
The Homoeopathic Hospital
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital
Hawkenbury Hospital
Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital
David Salomons House, Southborough

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee: Orpington Hospital, Orpington. Tel. Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital Oak Lane Hospital, Sevenoaks Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

Address	Days	Times
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	2. p.m.to 4 p.m.
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 p.m.to 4 p.m.
Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital,	Tuesday (females)	10 a.m.	to ll a.m.
Tunbridge Wells	Tuesday (males)	ll a.m.	to 12 noon

SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply

Sevenoaks Urban District is supplied with mains water from The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company, and during the year the supply was satisfactory both as regards quantity and quality.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year were as follows:-

	Bacter	iological	Examination	Chemical Examination			
		Satis- factory	Not satis- factory		Satis- factory	Not satis- factory	
Statutory supply undertakings	5	5	-	-	_	-	
Private sources piped to dwellings	4	4		_	_	-	
Other private sources	-	-	-	-	_	-	

All the dwellings in the Urban District are supplied by mains water.

During 1969, The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company laid 1,760 yards of mains extensions in the District.

2. Drainage and Sewerage

No new works of sewerage or sewage disposal have been carried out by this Authority during 1969.

Some new sewers were laid by private developers. To these, and to existing sewers 46 new units of accommodation were connected.

First stage remedial works have proceeded on the soil sewerage system, in order to improve the capacity of the system by reducing the infiltration of sub-soil and surface water. This involves work to some 590 manholes which are known to require remedial work.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal

There have not been any important changes in respect of the collection and disposal of refuse during the year. The paper sack system of refuse collection continues to prove satisfactory.

4. Swimming Pools Number of public swimming pools 1 Number of school swimming pools 4 Number of visits made during year ... 5 Number of samples taken: Satisfactory 15 Unsatisfactory 5. Inspection of the District Number of complaints received and investigated 85 Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors 3,528 during the year Informal Notices: Served during the year 101 78 Complied with during the year Served during the year Statutory Notices: 1 Complied with during the year (a) by owners 1 (b) by Local Authority in default

Legal proceedings taken during the year ...

3

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing		• • •		• • •	• • •	259
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housi	lng)	0 • •		• • •	• • •	540
Visits to Food Premises	0 • •	0 0 0	0	• • •		1,190
Visits re Food Complaints	• • •	• • •	• • •		• • •	29
Swimming Pools	0 • •		• • •	• • •	• • •	5
Factories Act, 1961		• • •	• • •	• • •		84
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act,	1963	• • •		• • •	• • •	1,007
Shops Acts, 1950/65	0 0 0	• • •	• • •	• • •		53
Petroleum Act	• • •		• • •	• • •		56
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	• • •		• • •	• • •	• • •	63
Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions)	Act,	1956	• • •	• • •	• • •	6
Pet Animals Act, 1951	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	3
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	• • •		• • •	• • •	• • •	1
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	• • •		• • •	• • •	• • •	9
Noise Abatement			• • •	• • •	• • •	6
Infectious Disease Visits			• • •			8
Miscellaneous		• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	209

6. Disinfestation

Treatment of premises for cockroaches continued during the year

7. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

PROPERTIES	OTHER	MAHT	SEWERS
TIOT DISTIN	OTILITY	TILMIN	

TYPE OF PROPERTY

		NON- AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1.	Number of properties in District	7,093	11
2.	(a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	413	ı
	(b) Number infested by (i) Rats (ii) Mice	184 1 57	1 -
3.	(a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than noti-fication	1,281	2
	(b) Number infested by (i) Rats (ii) Mice	4 5	-

SEWERS

The annual test of the public sewers was carried out and the system treated.

0.	Rag, Flock & Other Filling Mat	erials	Act,	1951				
	Number of registered premises	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	•••	Nil
۹.	Diseases of Animals (Waste Foo	d) Orde	n 10	57				
,•		u/ Oluc	<u> </u>	21				
	Number of licensed premises	• • •	• • •		•••	• • •	•••	Nil
10.	Agriculture (Safety & Welfare	Provisi	ions)	Act, 19	956			
	Number of inspections made	• • •	• • •	• • •	•••	• • •	• • •	Nil
77	Pet Animals Act, 1951							
4.4.0								
	Number of premises licensed	• • •	•••	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	4
	Number of visits made	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	3
12.	Animal Boarding Establishments	Act, 1	L963					
	Number of premises licensed	• • •		• • •	• • •		• • •	2
	Number of visits made							1
	rumber of visits made	• • •	•••	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	_
13.	Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964							
	Number of dealers registered							2

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part I of the Act

l. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

		Number	Numb	er of	
	Premises	on Register	Inspections		Occupiers Prosecuted
(i)	Factories in which Sections 1, 2,3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	18	16	-	-
(ii)	Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	63	68	-	-
(iii)	Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	9	1	-	550
	Total	90	85	-	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

	Numbe	er of case	n defects were	Number of cases in which	
Particulars	Found	Remedied		rred By H.M. Inspector	prosecutions were institute
Want of cleanliness	_	_	_	-	_
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	ten ten
Inadequate ventilation	_	-	-	- *	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	_	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (a) Insufficient	aso		_		_
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	~	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	629	-	-	-	-
Total	1	co.	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

Number of Outworkers Nil

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	
Offices	24	128	39
Retail Shops	12	184	26
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	8	6
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	3	19	3
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	~
Totals	39	339	74

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act 1,007

(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contraventions	No. found	Section	Contraventions	No. found
4	Cleanliness		13	Sitting facilities	QEC)
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	-
6	Temperature	9	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	1	16	Floors, passages & stairs	11
8	Lighting	-	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	2
9	Sanitary Conveniences	6	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	
10	Washing facilities	3	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of Drinking Water	ı	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing Accommodation	1	24	First Aid General Provisions	6 12
				Total	51

(0)	Exemptions	Number	of applicat	ions received		0 • •	• • •	Nil
		Number	of applicat	ions granted	• • •	• • •	•••	Nil
(D)	Prosecutions	Number		and completed the year	•••	• • •	•••	Nil

(E) Reported Accidents

Workplace	1	Total Number Investi- gated	Action Prosecu- tions	n Recomme Formal Warning	nded Informal Advice	No Action
Offices	2	1	_	-	-	-
Retail Shops	5	-		-	-	-
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	_	-	_	-	-	-
Catering establishments open to public, Canteens	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	_	-	_	_
Totals	7	1	-	-	_	_

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Warehouses	Catering estab- lishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
Machinery	-		_	-	-
Transport	-	-	_	_	-
Falls of persons	-	1	_	-	
Stepping on or striking against object or person	_	-	-	_	-
Handling goods	2	-	_	- -	-
Struck by falling object	-	444	-	-	
Fires and Explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	_	_	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	1		-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	3	-	_	-

HOUSING

(A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices:

	and	on 9, 10 d 16 Act,1957	Public Ho and sin Local	milar	Totals	
	Informal	Formal	Informal Formal		Informal	Formal
(a) By Owner	-	1	4	1	4	2
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	1	-
Totals	=	1	4	1	4	2

(B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of	(i)	Undertakings accepted (Section 16)	1
	(ii)	Closing Orders made (Section 17)	7
	(iii)	Demolition Orders made (Section 17)	-
	(iv)	Closing Orders made (Section 18)	-
	(v)	Closing Orders determined (Section 27)	1
	(vi)	Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (Section 28)	
	(vii)	Houses demolished following Demolition Orders	-

(C) Clearance Areas

(1)	Represented during year	• • •	• • •		• • •		Nil
(2)	Action taken during the year	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	Nil
(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	• • •		• • •	• • •	• • •	Nil

(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Standard

	Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i) Number of applications received	6	4
(ii) Number of applications approved	4	5
(iii) Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	6	5
	£ s	d
(v) Amount paid in grants	1,550.12.	0.
(vi) Average grant per house	140.19.	3.
(vii) Amenities provided		
(a) fixed bath		10
(b) shower		-
(c) wash hand basin		11
(d) hot water supply (to	o any tings)	11
(e) water closet (l) with dwe	thin ell i ng	10
·	cessible om dwelling	ca
(f) food store		6

(2)	Discretionary					
			Owner	/Occupiers	Tenanted	
	(i) Number of	applications re	ceived	14	15	
	(ii) Number of	applications app	proved	7.	9	
	(iii) Number of	applications re	fused	-	-	
	(iv) Number of	dwellings impro	ved	9	3	
				£s	d	
	(v) Amount pa	id in grants		3,260. 10.	10.	
	(vi) Average g	rant per house		271. 14.	3.	
(E)	Improvement Are	as - Housing Act	,1964			
	(1) Number of	(i) Areas (a) Surveyed .	•• •••	• •••	
		(b)) Declared .	•• •••	• •••	-
		(ii) Houses to	be improved (a) full stand	ard	-
			(b) reduced st	andard	-
		(iii) Prelimina	ry Notices ser	ved	• •••	-
		(iv) Undertaki	ng accepted .	•• •••	• •••	-
		(v) Immediate	improvement n	otices served	•••	21
		(vi) Suspended	improvement n	otices served	• • •	14
		(vii) Final imp	rovement notic	es served	• •••	-
		(viii) Dwellings	improved (a)	full standard	. •••	6
			(b)	reduced stand	ard	-
		(ix) Dwellings	improved by L	.A. in defaul	t:	
				full standard		-
			(b)	reduced stand	ard	_
(2)	Dwellings outsi	de Improvement A	rea			
		sentations made	· 			Nil
	ambor or ropre	Sollow of the made	oj vonanvo .	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		

(1) Nu	umber of no	tice	es se	erve	d:									
(а	ı) To requ	ire	addi	ition	nal s	servi	ces	or :	facil	ities	s			Nil
(b) Giving	dire	ectio	ons o	on or	verci	rowd	ing	• • •	• • •			• •	Nil
(0) Where w	ork	has	beer	n cai	ried	l ou	t in	defa	ult	• •		• •	Nil
	etails rega	rdiı	ng se	epa r a	ate d	occup	anci	ies :	in ho	ouses	in mu	ltipl	.e	
	ne following	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Ove	
number of occupancie	-	ı	3	2	4	2	-	-	2	-	-	1		-
<u>Caravans</u> (a	s at 31st	Dece	ember	r, 19	96 9)									
Number of si	te licence	s is	ssued	i i	• • •	• • •	, ,	• • •	• • •	• •	• •	• •	• • •	Nil
Common Lodgin	ng Houses													
Number regis	tered in d	ist	rict		0 0 0	• • •		• •		•		• •	• • •	Nil

(F)

Houses in Multiple Occupation

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies

Number	of	registered	distribut	cors	3	• • •	• • •	• • •	•••	24
Number	of	registered	dairies	-	Wholesale	e • • •	• • •	• • •	•••	1
					Retail	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	3

Milk Sampling

Number of Samples Taken

Untreated 14

Pasteurised 38

Sterilised -

Seven samples were void due to technical reasons, but the remainder were satisfactory.

2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered - (a) for the manufacture of ice cream 2

(b) for the sale of ice cream 64

Number of samples taken:

ll Ice Cream - all Grade 1

1 Water Ice - satisfactory

3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

Classification	Number on Register
Brining of meat only	2
Cooking of hams only	8
Frying of fish only	2
Processsing of fish only	1
Cooking of meat pies, sausage rolls, etc.,	5
Manufacture of sausages, cooking of hams and poultry	3
Manufacture of sausages, cooking and sale of meats	4
Cooking and sale of fish and poultry	y l
Cooking of poultry and meat cakes	1
Manufacture of sausages only	3

4. Slaughterhouses

There are no Slaughterhouses in Sevenoaks Urban District

5. Food Premises subject to the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

CATEGORY OF TRADE	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg. 19 applies (Provision of sinks, etc.)	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 19
Hotels	2	2	2	2
Cafes/Restaurants	21	21	21	21
Works Canteens	4	4	4	4
Clubs	12	12	12	12
School Kitchens	23	23	23	23
Homes	10	10	10	10
Bakers	10	10	10	10
Confectioners	24	23	24	23
Butchers	10	10	10	10
Fishmongers	3	3	3	3
Fried Fish & Chip Shops	2	2	2	2
Greengrocers	19	19	19	19
Grocers	25	25	25	25
Grocers/Butchers	3	3	3	3
Public Houses and Off Licences	25	25	25	25
Chemists	7	7	7	7
Dairies	2	2	2	2
Bakehouses	3	3	3	3

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Sevenoaks Urban District during the year ended 31st Decmeber, 1969.

	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory
Milk Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fats, cheese	98	3
(including processed cheese)	2	-
Tinned meats, meat, fish, fish and meat pastes	2	••
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals,	5	1
cordials	3	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies	1	-
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned	Q	
fruit and vegetables	2	_
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments		-
Drugs, medicines	9	2
Ice Cream	1	**
Beer, wines, spirits	2	2
Miscellaneous	3	-
	136	8

UNSATISFACTORY SAMPLES

Untreated Milk

Deficient in fat and small quantity of added water. Producers advised.

Untreated Milk

Deficient in fat. Follow-up sample satisfactory.

Untreated Milk

Deficient in fat. Follow-up sample satisfactory.

Diabetic Flour

Low in fat. This product was withdrawn from the market.

Flu-Cold Powders (2 samples)

Low in Aspirin and Phenacetin. Under investigation - manufacturers contacted.

Whisky (2 samples)

At Sevenoaks Magistrates' Court on the 11th November, 1969, a licensee pleaded guilty to applying a false trade description to whisky in that the proof was only 65° compared with the 70° declared on the label, contrary to Section 1 (1) (b) of the Trade Descriptions Act, 1968. Fined £15.

6. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District ... Nil

7. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs
Fish	••	_	26	-
Meat	2	1	17	2
Tinned Foods	5	3	16	10
Other Food	10	1	20	8

All condemned foods are disposed of by burial at the Council's refuse tip.

8. Food Poisoning

No case of food poisoning was notified during the year.



